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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

AUSTRALIA.

State of Victoria—Vital Statistics, 1910 and 1911.

The following statement was received from the Government statist at Melbourne:

Vital statistics of Victoria, 1910 and 1911.

	1910	1911
Deaths.....	14,736	15,217
Deaths due to:		
Phthisis.....	1,078	1,108
Other tubercular diseases.....	229	246
Cancer.....	1,081	1,100
Typhoid fever.....	139	95
Diphtheria.....	112	237
Whooping cough.....	65	40
Scarlet fever.....	28	6
Measles.....	32	74

The population of Victoria in 1901 was 1,201,070.

CHINA.

Hongkong—Plague—Smallpox—Quarantine against Port.

Surg. Brown reports March 4: During the week ended March 2, 8 cases of plague with 6 deaths and 83 cases of smallpox with 65 deaths were reported at Hongkong.

The Government of Burma declared quarantine against Hongkong as a plague-infected port March 1.

Examination of Rats.

During the week ended March 2, 1,932 rats were examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rat was found.

GREECE.

Cerebrospinal Meningitis.

During the week ended March 16, 22 cases of cerebrospinal meningitis were reported in 5 localities in Greece and during the week ended March 23, 106 cases in 25 localities.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.